

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION BY SOUTHEAST TELEPHONE, INC.)	
FOR ARBITRATION OF CERTAIN TERMS AND)	
CONDITIONS OF A PROPOSED AGREEMENT)	CASE NO.
WITH BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS,)	2001-00045
INC.)	

O R D E R

On September 14, 2004, SouthEast Telephone, Inc. ("SouthEast") filed a motion "to hold in abeyance" the October 8, 2004 deadline to renegotiate its existing interconnection agreement with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"). SouthEast asserted that this deadline should be "held in abeyance" due to actions taken by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC").

On September 24, 2004, BellSouth responded to this motion contending that the Commission need not grant SouthEast's request. The current contract between BellSouth and SouthEast, according to BellSouth, will continue on a month-to-month basis after its expiration. Moreover, negotiations between the parties continue.

The Commission has received no filings in this matter since September 2004. On information and belief, it appears that this particular petition may be moot because of subsequent action by the FCC. Moreover, matters pertaining to carrier obligations are pending in Case No. 2004-00427.¹

¹ Case No. 2004-00427, Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to Establish Generic Docket to Consider Amendments to Interconnection Agreements Resulting From Changes of Law.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties shall have 10 days from the date of this Order to petition the Commission for this matter to remain on the active docket. If no such filing is received by that date, this matter shall be dismissed without further Order of the Commission.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 15th day of March, 2005.

By the Commission

Commissioner W. Gregory Coker did not participate in the deliberations or decision concerning this case.

ATTEST:


Executive Director